

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: CONCERT COMMUNICATIONS SALES LLC AND CONCERT USA	DOCKET NO. SPU-00-18 (TCU-00-13, TCU-99-13)
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ORDER APPROVING TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE

(Issued October 4, 2000)

On March 17, 2000, Concert Communications Sales LLC (CCS) and Concert USA (Concert) filed a request for approval of a corporate reorganization and transfer of a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service. The filing was identified as Docket No. TCU-00-13. The reorganization, which the Utilities Board (Board) reviewed solely as a transfer of certificate, involved a transfer of control whereby Concert would begin operating pursuant to the same tariff and operating authority, and employing the same customer service operations as previously used by CCS. An order addressing the reorganization, canceling Certificate No. 0198, and issuing Certificate No. 0215 in the name of Concert USA was issued on June 15, 2000. Certificate No. 0198 had been issued to CCS in Docket No. TCU-99-13.

On August 29, 2000, CCS and Concert jointly filed for approval to transfer the certificate from Concert back to CCS. This proceeding has been identified as Docket No. SPU-00-18. CCS and Concert indicate that neither company has customers in

Iowa at this time and that the operating efficiencies anticipated originally will be better achieved if CCS retains the certificate to provide local exchange service in Iowa.

The Board will approve the transfer of the certificate of public convenience and necessity since Concert has no customers and has not begun to provide service. CCS originally had approved tariffs, maps, and was issued a certificate. The Board in its order of June 15, 2000, transferred that certificate to Concert based upon the adoption of the approved tariffs and maps. The Board will now transfer the certificate back to CCS based upon the adoption by CCS of the original tariffs and maps. The Board will concurrently with this order cancel Certificate No. 0215 and issue a new certificate to CCS, identified as Certificate No. 0227.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The joint request for approval of the transfer of the certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service from Concert USA to Concert Communications Sales LLC is approved to be effective upon the issuance of this order.

2. The certificate of public convenience and necessity, identified as Certificate No. 0215, previously issued to Concert USA, will be cancelled concurrent with this order.

3. Certificate No. 0227 will be issued concurrently with this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Sharon Mayer
Executive Secretary, Assistant to

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 4th day of October, 2000.